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**NEW UNITED STATES UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**  
under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

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Atty. Docket No. 03797.00006



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Enclosed herewith is a new patent application and the following papers:

First Named Inventor (or application identifier): Jonathan C. Kagle et al.

Title of Invention: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REDUCING IMAGE ACQUISITION TIME IN A DIGITAL IMAGING DEVICE

1.  Specification 18 pages (including specification, claims, abstract) / 27 claims (3 independent)
2.  Declaration/Power of Attorney is:
  - attached in the regular manner.
  - NOT included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).
3.  6 Distinct sheets of  Formal  Informal Drawings
4.  Preliminary Amendment.
5.  Information Disclosure Statement
  - Form 1449
  - A copy of each cited prior art reference
6.  Assignment with Cover Sheet.
7.  Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following application(s):

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)

8.  Priority document(s).
9.  Statement Claiming Small Entity Status.
10.  Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix).
11.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission.
  - Computer Readable Copy.
  - Paper Copy (identical to computer copy).
  - Statement verifying identity of above copies.

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12. Calculation of Fees:

FEES FOR	EXCESS CLAIMS	FEE	AMOUNT DUE
Basic Filing Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a))			\$690.00
Total Claims in Excess of 20 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	7	18.00	\$126.00
Independent Claims in Excess of 3 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	7	78.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))	0	260.00	\$0.00
Subtotal - Filing Fee Due			\$816.00
		REDUCE BY (%)   (\$)	
Reduction by 50%, if Small Entity (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)	0		\$0.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE DUE</b>			\$816.00
Assignment Recordation Fee (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h))	1	40.00	\$40.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL DUE</b>			<b>\$856.00</b>

13. PAYMENT is:

- included in the amount of the GRAND TOTAL by our enclosed check. A general authorization under 37 C.F.R. § 1.25(b), second sentence, is hereby given to credit or debit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for the instant filing and for any other fees during the pendency of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18.
- not included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).

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